



Town of Griswold



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FEBRUARY 5, 2007

TO: SEN. EDITH PRAGUE
REP. KEVIN RYAN

RE: AN ACT (PB 6677) CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF CREDIT
FOR MILITARY SERVICE IN THE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES
RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOU SUPPORT THIS LEGISLATION
WHICH WOULD ALLOW ME TO PURCHASE MY MILITARY SERVICE TIME
IN THE MERF RETIREMENT PROGRAM.

WHEN I FIRST WAS ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF TAX COLLECTOR
IN THE TOWN OF GRISWOLD, BEGINING JULY 1, 1992, I WAS
INFORMED OF MY ENROLLMENT IN THE MERF PROGRAM BUT NOTHING
ELSE. YEARS LATER I DISCOVERED THE OPTION TO PURCHASE
MILITARY TIME BUT THAT IT HAD TO BE DONE IN THE FIRST YEAR
OF ENROLLMENT. DISCUSSION WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF MERF
I WAS TOLD ONLY SPECIAL LEGISLATION WOULD NOW BE THE WAY
TO OBTAIN ANOTHER WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE MY
MILITARY SERVICE TIME.

THE EFFORTS OF MY REPRESENTATIVE STEVEN MIKUTEL HAS NOW
BROUGHT ME HERE. UNFORTUNATELY DUE TO A PRIOR APPOINTMENT
I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TESTIFY AT THE PUBLIC HEARING
SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2007.

I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION IN THE MATTER.

RESPECTFULLY,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard J. Grabowski".

RICHARD J. GRABOWSKI
TAX COLLECTOR
TOWN OF GRISWOLD